

2013-14 BSP#3 Group Time Discussion

L – Low, M – Medium, and H – High, indicate the difficulty of a question. Group leaders should select questions that are challenging to their groups but not so difficult that their group members cannot answer.

(A) “He Opened to Us the Scriptures” - Questions for scriptural reading and discussion **(Time available: 10 minutes. Do any 2 questions.)** 「祂給我們講解了聖經」- 為讀經及共同討論的問題(用十分鐘時間，討論 2 個問題)

1. [M] “All have sinned and are deprived of the glory of God” (3:23) – Does this mean Mary also has sinned and lost the glory of God?
「因為所有的人都犯了罪，都失掉了天主的光榮」(3:23) - 這經文是否代表聖母也犯了罪和失掉了天主的光榮呢？
2. [H] Paul teaches that we are justified by faith and not by the works of law. If this is true, what is the point of going to Mass on Sundays, obeying the Lenten fast laws, and fulfilling other Church precepts? Find a New Testament passage that helps clarify this misunderstanding.
保祿教導說我們成義是因為信德而不是因為法律行為。若這是真確的，那有什麼理由還要在主日參與彌撒、封齋期(四旬期)守齋之規、及遵守教會規則呢？請在新約中找出可澄清這誤解的章節。
3. [L] In 4:25, what is Paul saying about the Resurrection of Jesus? How does this mystery apply to the Christian?
關於耶穌的復活保祿是怎樣說的？這奧蹟為信仰基督者有何作用？

(B) “Did Not Our Hearts Burn?” – Discuss one of the two questions below for meditation, prayer, and application. (Suggested time: 10 minutes) “我們的心不是火熱的嗎？“為默想，祈禱，實踐”的題目，請用十五分鐘討論以下一條問題。

1. Dr. S. Hahn’s favorite Protestant theologian, Dr. Gerstner, once said that if Protestants were wrong on sola fide – and the Catholic Church was right that justification is by faith and works – ‘I’d be on my knees tomorrow morning outside of the Vatican doing penance’. Given the position of the *Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification*, do you think Dr. Gerstner should be doing penance outside of the Vatican? Why?
葛茨芮博士是韓思高博士所推崇的基督教派神學家，他曾說，若基督教派所稱只須憑信是錯，而天主教所說成義在於因信及其相關的行為是對的，「那我將明日一早就在梵諦岡門外跪地作補贖。」若按“有關成義的聯合申明”中的見解，您想葛茨芮博士是否該在梵諦岡門外跪地作補贖？為什麼？
2. Given what you learned today about the importance of faith, how will you answer someone who says that Christianity is not necessary because there are many non-Christians and even atheists who do more good than some Christians?
今日研習了信仰的重要性，您將如何答辯人們的挑釁說，很多非基督徒，甚至無神論者，他們的善行多過某些基督徒，所以基督信仰不一定是必須的？